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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION
& SUBMITTAL OF COMBINED DECLARATION & POWER OF ATTORNEY

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the notice dated October 5, 2006 to file missing parts of application, a copy of which is attached.

Applicant submits herewith the original Combined Declaration & Power of Attorney.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 12-0400 in the amount of the government fee for late filing of the Combined Declaration & Power of Attorney, which is believed to be \$130.

Respectfully submitted,

December 4, 2006

Date

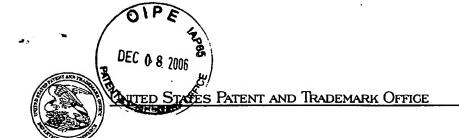
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

 The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required. Note: If a petition under 37 CFR 1.47 is being filed, an oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 signed by all available joint inventors, or if no inventor is available by a party with sufficient proprietary interest, is required.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

 To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(f) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$130 for a non-small entity

\$130 Surcharge.

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A copy of this notice <u>MUST</u> be returned with the reply.

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